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injection or infusion, ointment, tincture, spray, transdermal therapeutic system, nasal spray, aerosol mixture, microcapsule, implant or rod.

28. The method according to Claim 27, wherein the tablet is chosen from a lacquered tablet and a sugar-coated tablet.

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 10 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer and new claims 11- 28 are presented herein. After entering this preliminary amendment, claims 11 through 28 are pending. Support for new claims 11 through 28 can be found in the specification as filed and the original claims 1 through 10. Therefore, no issue of new matter has been introduced. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request examination of this application and timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this preliminary amendment and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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